

We learn from the eastward, that the famous captain Mowat has again visited those parts from Halifax; that he has landed a number of men in the night, and burnt the dwelling-houses and stores belonging to Mr. Shaw, of this town. A son of Mr. Shaw was made prisoner, but afterwards set at liberty.

P'OUGHKEEPSIE, April 12.
We have had an imperfect report circulating for a week past, that the enemy had made another late attack, upon our settlements on the Susquehanna, that they had destroyed some houses, taken off some of our people and stock, and attacked, if not taken a fort. But as the account is defective, and we can find no authority for it, the truth of it appears to be doubtful.

It is reported that the fleet of the enemy's ships and vessels collected in the Sound, and supposed to be going on an expedition against New-London, together with a 50 gun ship, which blocked up that harbour, are gone; but whether they had put back or had failed on an expedition, was not known.

Never was any nation under Heaven, in a more awful critical situation than the people of America now are, while events of the most tremendous importance are suspended on a short interval of time! and yet it seems as if there never was a more dead stagnate calm in our public operations. But have we not reason to apprehend, that in a little time the bill kene will be succeeded by a dreadful storm?

PHILADELPHIA, April 20.
Capt'n Douglas, in the Hunter privateer schooner, belonging to this port, a few days ago fell in with, and took a schooner from St. Kitts, with 137 hogheads rum, and brought her in safe.

Extract of a letter from capt. J. B. Hopkins, to the marine committee of congress, dated April 18, 1779, on board the ship Warren, Boston harbour.

"I have the honour to acquaint you, that on the 13th March I sailed from Boston in company with the ship Queen of France, capt. Olney, and the ship Ranger, capt. Simpson, and that on the 6th inst. we fell in with the armed schooner Hibernia, from New-York, with 45 men, which we took, and on the 7th at 4 o'clock, A. M. in latitude 30° 40' discovered two fleets, one to leeward consisting of ten sail, the other to windward of nine sail. We gave chase to the windward-most, and about two o'clock to-k seven sail, consisting of the following vessels, viz.

Ship Jason, capt. Potterfield, mounting twenty-nine six pounders, 150 men, convoy to the fleet bound from New-York to Georgia, having passengers on board, as per the enclosed list.

Ship Meriah, a letter of marque, mounting 16 six pounders, 84 men, very richly laden with provisions, dry goods, and accoutrements for a regiment of horse.

Brig Patriot, brig Prince Ferdinand, brig John, brig Batchelor, schooner Chance, laden with provisions and goods for the army, to a very large amount.

As soon as they were manned we thought best to stand to the eastward, having had intelligence of a large number of armed vessels, being off Cheapeak and Delaware bays. On the 16th inst. I arrived in this port, (having parted with the fleet on the 12th in a thick fog) the next day the Jason arrived, which is a very fine ship; also the schooner at Portsmouth, which is a very valuable vessel. Several vessels are now in sight, which, I hope are some of the fleet. By the activity of captain Olney and Simpson, we manned the fleet in four hours.

A LIST of the names of officers, gentlemen passengers, &c. taken on board the Jason.

Jonathan Christopher Kohler, colonel; George Campbell, lieutenant colonel; James Rivers, captain; Francis Fraser, captain; Wilhelm Studenroth, lieutenant; Charles M'Pherson, lieutenant; Philip Pauli, ensign; Hugh Fraser, chaplain; Charles Kerr, surgeon; Mr. Peter de Nifmes, passenger; Alexander Potterfield, captain of the Jason; Peter Paton, John Morrison, Walter Douglas, John Richardson, lieutenants of the Jason; Joseph Muscrop, master; Alexander Stophen, clerk; John Hill, captain of marines; John Lepraik, purser; James Thompson, surgeon of the Jason; William Hunter, prize-master of ditto; John Burns, ditto; Mr. Mason, passenger; Thomas Weir, assistant deputy commissary; Mr. Thomas Brown, passenger; Mr. Archibald M'Kay, ditto; Mr. Alexander M'Kay, ditto; fourteen servants.

Taken on board the other vessels.
James Kerr, captain; Mr. Thomas Rutherford and wife; Mr. Butler, two children and a maid; Mr. Neel M'Carter, Mr. Alexander M'Donald, Mr. James M'Donald, Mr. Alexander M'Leod, Mr. Alexander M'Leod, junior; Mr. John Leggat, Mr. Leekie.

Published by order of the marine committee.
J. BROWN, secretary.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Boston, to his friend in this city, dated April 14, 1779.

"We had last Sunday one of the Newport privateers brought into Salem. This day another of them is carried into Cape Cod; and a fine brig of 24 guns, a privateer from Jamaica, sent in here by our state brig Tyrannicide."

S I R,
Thinking that the enclosed letter, which lately fell into my hands, may perhaps be of some use to congress, as a most convincing proof of what has been so often denied by our enemies, that the British court endeavoured to procure both our domestic slaves, and the savages of the wilderness to destroy us; and that as so early a period of the contest as the year 1773, I do myself the honour to transmit it to congress, and am, with great esteem, Sir,
Your excellency's most obedient humble servant,
WILLIAM LIVINGSTON,
His excellency John Jay, Esq, president of congress.

Mr Lord,
THE hope you held out to us in your letter of the 1st of May, that with a supply of arms and ammunition, you should be able to collect from amongst Indians, negroes, and other persons, a force sufficient; if not to subdue rebellion, at least to defend government, was very encouraging; but I find by your letters delivered to me by licut. Collins, that you have been obliged, from the violence of the times, menaced by one branch of the legislature, and abandoned by the other, to yield up all the powers of government, and to retire yourself on board the Fowey. I have the king's commands to send you his majesty's leave to return to England, which, together with this letter, and a commission to Mr. Corbin to administer government during your absence, will be delivered to you by capt. Atkins of his majesty's ship Acteon, who goes convoy to the Maria store-ship.

At the same time it is left to your lordship's discretion to use this leave of absence or not, as you shall see occasion; for, relying upon your firmness, I have still a hope that with the supply of arms now sent to you, and with the assistance of a greater naval force, the king's government in Virginia may yet be maintained; and should this happily be the case, it will not be necessary that Mr. Corbin should be informed of his majesty's intention in his favour. I am, my lord,
Your lordship's most obedient humble servant,
Earl of Dunmore.

Published by order of congress.
CHARLES THOMSON, secretary.

IN CONGRESS, PHILADELPHIA, April 14, 1779.
WHEREAS congress, on the twenty first day of August last, did resolve, That when any persons are desirous of going within the enemy's lines, they shall apply to the executive power of the state to which they belong, and if the said executive power approve the motives and characters of the persons applying, and shall be of opinion especially at to critical conjunctures as the present, that no danger will ensue by granting such, that they recommend them to the officer commanding the troops next to the enemy, who upon such recommendation may at his discretion permit the persons to go in. For the better execution of the said resolution,

RESOLVED, That any officer who shall permit a person to go within the enemy's lines without such recommendation, or the orders of the commander in chief, or the commander of a separate department, and shall thereof be duly convicted before a court-martial, shall thereby forfeit his commission.

Extract from the minutes.
CHARLES THOMSON, secretary.

TREASURY OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, April 3, 1779.
ORDERED, That all persons who have been entrusted with public money before the 25th day of March last, (and who are not accountable to the auditors of the army, or the commissioners of accounts at Albany) immediately transmit their accounts to the auditor-general for settlement, on failure whereof they will be prosecuted without further notice.

By order of the board of treasury,
JOHN NICHOLSON, clerk.
The several printers throughout the United States are requested to insert this notice, and continue it in their papers for weeks.

TREASURY OFFICE, April 5, 1779.
RESOLVED, That the several commissioners of the continental loan-offices, treasurers appointed to receive continental taxes and others, authorized by congress to receive, collect, or exchange bills of the emissions of May 20th, 1777, and April 11th, 1778, be respectively directed to send to the treasurer of loans as soon as may be after the first of June next, such of the said bills as they may possess, under the care of some continental officer and guard, taking triplicate receipts, agreeable to the following form, one of which is to be sent to the treasurer of loans by the said officer, and another by some other conveyance.

"State of _____ day of _____ 177____
"RECEIVED of _____ of _____
"in the state aforesaid, _____ cases (or packages) marked _____ and said to contain _____
"dollars, in bills of the emissions of _____ day 20th, 1777, and April 11th, 1778, which I promise to deliver to _____ Francis Hopkinson, Esq; treasurer of loans at Philadelphia, having signed duplicate receipts.
"Signed _____ officer of the guard."

That such cases or packages be not received by the treasurer of loans, unless accompanied with particular invoices, specifying the numbers of the bundles in each case or package, and the contents of each bundle.

That one of the said receipts be endorsed by the treasurer of loans, on his receiving the cases and packages mentioned therein, and delivered to the officer of the guard as his discharge.

By order of the board,
JOHN NICHOLSON, clerk.

P. S. The printers in the several states are desired to publish the above three weeks successively.

ANNAPOLIS, April 30.
CONGRESS having recommended Thursday next to be observed as a day of fasting, humiliation, and prayer, the governor and council have been pleased to order the same to be religiously observed throughout this state.

FOR SALE, at VENDUE, in ANNAPOLES, on Saturday the 8th day of May next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of GEORGE MANN, THE SHIP DEFENCE, with her guns, tackle, and apparel, according to inventory.
THE GALLIES, INDEPENDENCE, BALTIMORE, JOHNSON, and ANNAPOLIS, and the SCHOONER SMALLWOOD, are for SALE; and also a considerable quantity of GUNPOWDER.
The Governor and Council are desirous of treating with any person inclined to purchase either.
19 April, 1779. **T. JOHNSON, junr. cl. co.**

TO BE SOLD FOR CONTINENTAL MONEY.
A VERY valuable TRACT of LAND situate on the lower end of KENT-ISLAND in the state of MARYLAND, and known by the name of KENT FORT MANOR, bounded by the Eastern and Western Bays, with a line drawn thro' the water from one bay to the other. The shores abound with fish, oysters, and wild fowl, and the produce of the land may be carried to any market on the navigable waters on the bay. The exact number of acres is not ascertained. The annual amount of the rents is between twenty-five and twenty-six thousand pounds crop tobacco. For further particulars apply to the honourable DANIEL CARROLL, Esq; in Annapolis to the subscriber near Dumfries, in Virginia.
Daniel Carroll Esq

THE subscriber proposing to reprint the LAWS of MARYLAND, now in force, from the CON's collection up to the present government, has a subscription paper to the clerks of the several counties to give those an opportunity of subscribing who are desirous of having them. They will be done in the same manner with BACON'S, stitched in blue paper, and delivered to the subscribers, for ten dollars each copy. He intended to have begun the work some time ago but has not yet been able to procure paper fit for the purpose. Subscriptions are taken in at his office.
FREDERICK GREEN.

Lately published, and to be sold at the Old Printing Office in Charles-Street.

LAWS of MARYLAND

Passed last Session of Assembly;
AND VOTES and PROCEEDINGS OF THE SENATE

AND HOUSE of DELEGATES
Where may be had,

LAWS passed June session, 1777, and March, June, and October, 1778. Votes and Proceedings of the senate, February and October, 1777; March, June, and October, 1778; and House of delegates, October, 1777; and June, and October, 1778.

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SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD

Kingbury full name, Baltimore county, April 1779. RAN away from the subscriber, on the 11th instant, or thereabouts, a NEGRO man, PETER; he is a tall, stout, well made, yellow complexion, marked with the small pox, about thirty-five years old; had on a fawn-coloured light coloured breeches, with knee-bands of blue; wore coarse country shoes; his other cloaths make he belonged to the family of the MacCubbins, sister that lived with Dr. Lingham; he used to be about and had great liberty; he is used to work in ship-yards, as he is a good lawyer; he ran away from Joseph, and he was concealed at Mr. MacCubbins quarter over south-river; it is likely he may go away again.

Whoever secures him in goal, or brings him to the subscriber, living at the Kingbury full name in Baltimore county, shall receive the above reward, and reasonable charges of bringing home, paid by the subscriber.
JOHN WESTON

There is at the plantation, of James Clapham, in Prince-George's county, taken up in a bright bay horse, about 14 hands high, not branded, he is about 14 years old, has a star on his forehead, a snip on his nose, his near hind foot is white, his hip out of place, and is shod behind. The horse may have him again on proving property and charges.
J. B. LESTER